

REMARKS

Claims 1-46 remain in the application. Applicants are submitting herewith an information disclosure statement with references from a foreign search report.

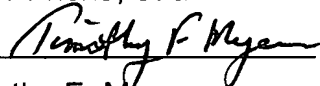
5 These references were just made aware to Applicants' representative after the Issue Fee had been paid on the parent case and before the allowed application has issued. Because Applicants' representative does not believe there is time to file a Petition Under 37 CFR 1.313 (c)(2) to remove the parent case from issuing, we are filing this continuation with the claims unamended. If the submitted  
10 references are immaterial and a statutory double patenting rejection is made, Applicants will abandon this continuation. If however, the art submitted from the foreign search report requires further prosecution of the continuation case, the original case will be abandoned and this continuation pursued. The Applicants' representative wishes to apologize to the Examiner for the unfortunate timing of  
15 this submittal of references but Applicants' representative is under a duty to disclose under 37 CFR 1.56 while the original parent case has not issued. If the Examiner believes that discussion on this matter is necessary, the Examiner is urged to contact the Applicants' representative at the number listed below.

Further examination and reconsideration of the application is hereby  
20 requested.

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